

Atsumu
Big Bang 2021
Guidebook

Introduction

This guidebook is meant to lay out the process of the Atsumu Big Bang 2021. Please read through all the sections to see if any of your questions/concerns have already been answered.

If you have any more questions or clarifications feel free to message us through any of our social media, Discord, Curious Cat.

Please note that all times listed here are in UTC standards.

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Big Bang Process Overview

A Big Bang is an event that pairs artists and writers together to create content for a series, ship, or theme.

The Atsumu Big Bang will be centered around Miya Atsumu, a character from Haikyuu!! by Furudate Haruichi. The stories and artwork created for this event can portray his character and/or his relationships, either platonic or romantic.

During the creation period of this event, writers will complete a story that is at a minimum of 5k words, and artists will complete at least one piece of artwork based on their assigned writer's fic.

This is a non-competitive event- anyone who applies will be able to participate.

Moderators

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Role: Writer

Writers will be writing a story of at least 5k words. There is no maximum requirement.

Works must be new, unpublished and unshared publicly. Works that have already been started are permitted, but the story must not have been shared publicly, including plot ideas or outlines.

Works **must** be centered around Miya Atsumu. The writers may choose to write about him alone or may focus on his platonic and/or romantic relationships.

The writer may also choose to write a multi-chaptered fic, rather than a single-chaptered one. We only ask that you should be able to post something that meets the minimum word count requirements by the posting date. The writer must also make sure that they include the part on which their partnered artist based their piece.

Role: Artist

Artists will create at least one colored new piece of art based on their partner's story.

Artists will be able to choose which story they wish to work with during the summary selection process.

The minimum requirement is a fully coloured illustration (background is not compulsory). There is no maximum requirement. The artist may choose to create multiple pieces of art.

Artworks for this event can be of any style and any medium, which means that both traditional and digital art is welcome.

Role: Beta

Beta readers will work with at least one specific writer, and may work with more if they choose to.

Beta readers will have to look through any spelling and grammar errors, plot holes, etc; depending on what the writer wishes.

Beta readers for this bang are also free to beta for anyone in the bang who asks for it in the beta channels in the Discord server.

We ask that the beta readers be respectful of the writer and the writer's works. Please make sure to ask beforehand what they need from you to avoid any miscommunications and misunderstandings.

Role: Pinch Hitter

Pinch Hitters are those who volunteer to step up in case a creator decides to drop from the event.

Pinch Hitters will be contacted on a first-come-first-serve basis. Therefore, we cannot guarantee that you will be contacted as a pinch hitter, especially if you sign up towards the end of the event.

Pinch Hitters have the same requirements as the creators, but with a shorter amount of time. We will give you an extension, if needed, on check-ins.

For Writer Pinch Hitters

If contacted, you will be asked for a short summary for your planned story, any trigger warnings and whether it would be SFW/NSFW.

This will be shown to the artist and to the beta reader, if applicable.

If they accept, you will be connected with them.

Make sure that you meet the requirement as stated in the [Role:Writer](#).

For Artist Pinch Hitters

If contacted, you will be given the story summary in need of a pinch hitter, the trigger warnings and whether the story is SFW or NSFW to ensure that you are comfortable with the content.

Should you agree, we will connect you to the writer.

The minimum requirement for an artist pinch hitter will be one piece of art for the writer within the allocated time.

For more information on what is expected of you, please check [Role:Artist](#).

Writer Sign-Ups

Writer Sign-ups will be open on June 1 and will close on July 15.

At the beginning of the event, between July 20-25, you will begin by submitting a summary, not exceeding 500 words, of your planned story. You can also add an excerpt to show the betas and artists.

Please do not discuss your summaries in the open channels from the time of submission until your partner/teams have been announced. This would ensure that the summary selections would remain anonymous and as fair as possible. You can still discuss your work in the channels restricted only to writers.

If a writer has already partnered up with an artist, you will be asked to indicate it in your summary submissions.

NSFW works are permitted. However, authors of NSFW must be above the age of 18 and will only be paired with artists and betas who are over the age of 18 and are comfortable with the content.

Artist Sign-Ups

Artist Sign-Ups will open on June 1 and close on July 15.

Since both SFW and NSFW fics are permitted in this event, you will have the option to choose. Fic summaries on Summary Viewings will be labelled accordingly.

You don't have to create a NSFW piece of art for a NSFW story. However, if you do choose to create such art, we ask that you only post a SFW preview on platforms such as Twitter and Tumblr, and add a link to the full NSFW piece.

Only 18+ artists will be permitted to create art for summaries labelled as NSFW, regardless of whether the art you've planned to create is SFW or NSFW.

Beta Sign-Ups

Beta Sign-Ups will be open on June 1 and close on July 15.

Once paired with a writer, you will discuss among yourselves exactly what you and the writer are comfortable with betaing.

More info on what is expected of [Beta Readers](#).

Pinch Hitter Sign-Ups

Pinch Hitter Sign Ups will open on July 1 and will be open until July 15.

More info on what is expected of [Pinch Hitters](#).

Writer Summary Submissions

You will be sent a Google Form to the email you registered with for your summary submissions. Summary

Submissions will open on July 17, and will remain open till July 27.

In the Summary Submissions form you will be required to enter your:

- 1. Your Fic Rating**
- 2. Tags**
- 3. AO3 Warnings**
 - Choose Not to Use Archive Warnings**
 - Graphic Depictions of Violence**
 - Major Character Death**
 - No Archive Warnings Apply**
- 4. Potential Triggers**
- 5. Characters Expected in Your Fic**
- 6. Pairings (main and background romantic and platonic pairings)**
- 7. Summary (not exceeding 500 words)**
- 8. Excerpt (optional)**

It is up to the writer on how detailed you want to make your summary, but we recommend that you provide relevant plot/story information for your artist.

If you wish to make any changes in your ratings, triggers, tags or main story line after this period, you must discuss with your beta and artist if they are okay with the changes.

Fic Ratings

We will be using the Ao3 rating system and we ask you to mark your summaries according to these rules. The system is as follows:

G: suitable for general audiences

T: suitable for teen and up audiences

M: suitable for mature audiences only

E: explicit and only suitable for adults

Any story featuring explicit violence and/or sexual content must be labelled as Explicit rather than Mature.

Stories with summaries that are marked with an E/M rating will only be shown to artists who are over the age of 18 and are comfortable with stories with these ratings.

If you are unsure yet as to the rating your story will have, you can always change it later. However, please note that these summaries will be placed with those that are categorised as E/M. It is always better for you to give your summary a higher rating if you are undecided.

Writers who are under 18 may not submit a story of or above the rating of “M” for any reason.

Please feel free to contact a mod if you have any questions regarding ratings.

Artist and Beta Summary Viewing / Selection

The artist and beta summary viewing will open on July 28 and will take place till July 30.

The viewing containing the summaries will be posted in the discord server, in the appropriate channels.

Only those over the age of 18 will be able to access the NSFW summary viewing.

The Summary Selection form will be open from July 30 till August 7.

In the Summary Selections form you will be asked to supply the following information:

1. Your top 5 summary choices, in order
2. Whether you're willing to work with multiple writers
3. Anyone in particular you're not comfortable working with

Partners and Teams

Partners and Teams will be announced on August 10.

Your partners for the event are your writer/artist/beta. If, for any reason, you no longer feel comfortable working with your partner, please contact a mod.

Each partner group will be placed into a team headed by one mod. The mod that is assigned to your team will be the mod that you will be in contact with during the check-ins.

Each team will have their own private channel in the Discord channel, and this is where you will be free to share your WIPs. You may also choose to remain in contact via DMs or through any other platform, instead of this.

Contact and Creation Check-Ins

Check-ins exist for a mod to check in with the partner groups assigned to them.

The first contact and creation check-in will be sent on August 20 and will last until August 25.

- Everyone must reply to the message within this period, and whoever did not reply will be considered dropped from the event, and the mods will contact a pinch hitter to take their place.
- If you are in a position where you believe you will not be able to contact a mod during this period, message your team's mod ahead of time.

For the first creation check-in, the writers are expected to have finished a detailed outline or around 20% of your projected word count. The writers will be sent an email containing a google form for this check-in. This google form will also be posted in the discord server. This check-in will only be a contact check-in for artists and betas, to make sure you have been able to contact your partners.

In the Creation Check-in #1 Form the writers will be asked the following:

1. PDF file or accessible link to what you've written so far.
2. Current Word Count
3. Approximate Percent Completion

The second contact and creation check-in will be sent on September 20 and will last until September 25.

The third creation check in will be sent on October 20 and will last until October 25. For the third creation check-in, the writers and artists are expected to have finished 70% of your project.

The fourth or final check in will be sent on November 20 and will last until November 25. For the fourth check-in, the writer, artists, and beta readers are expected to have finished 90-100% of the project.

Previews and Posting

Previews

Posting of previews of your project starts on [x]. The contributors are not required to participate in this.

For writers, previews must be constrained to a 200-300 word snippet of your story.

For artists, please only post a preview that shows no more than 30% of your full piece.

We encourage you to tag all of your partners (including betas!) in either the post itself or in the post's replies.

**Please also tag @atsumubigbang on Twitter or
atsumubigbang on Tumblr.**

Posting

Posting schedule will be posted around the fourth check-in, and the writers and artists will input when they plan to post the entirety of their work.

Posting will begin on December 7.

Please do not post your fic/art online before these dates, except for previews.

The mods will assign you a date to post your story/art. For the final creation check-in (November 20 - November 25), we will ask you to approximate what percentage of finished you are. Those who have a higher percentage of completion will be posting earlier; those who have less will be posting later. On this form, you may also list days that you are unavailable to post.

On your assigned posting date, you must post your first chapter (if multichapter) or your full piece (if a one-shot). Your post must be cross-posted to any one of your social media. You must tag us either in the main post or in a reply/reblog/comment so that we can advertise your pieces on social media!

Dropping Out

The final dropping date for this bang is on September 15. If you have any plans to drop out, please do so before this date, so we can give our pinch hitters enough time to fill the spot.

If you have any questions about anything listed in this guidebook, please contact us on the Atsumu Big Bang discord server, leave us an Ask on [Tumblr](#)/[Curious Cat](#), or shoot us a DM on [Twitter](#). Thank you for reading, and we hope you enjoy this event!